

RECLAMATION

Managing Water in the West

Projection of Klamath Project June, 2011 Operations

Consistent with the 2011 operations plan, the June Variable Base Flow (VBF) calculations are as follows:

- VBF = 1,743 cfs (Maximum VBF flow)
- Minimum Instantaneous Flow = 1,699 cfs
- Threshold Elevation = 4142.5 ft

Current Forecast (issued May 17th) = 152% Average (70% Exceedance, Jun-Sep)

Official June 1st forecast is not expected to change the flow shown above since it is the maximum June VBF as shown in Table 1 of the VBF procedure document.

Consistent with the description for June flows in the VBF procedure on page 4, current hydrologic conditions are such that flows higher than the max VBF in June may occur. Discussions are on-going with agency biologists and hydrologists regarding the appropriate ramp down rates from the June 1st flow of approximately 3,200 cfs to the VBF of 1,743 cfs. As of June 1st, the current ramp down rate is 50 cfs/day and may change after further consultation on June 8th depending on hydrologic conditions.